

Portland State University

PDXScholar

Faculty Senate Monthly Packets

University Archives: Faculty Senate

12-6-2021

Faculty Senate Monthly Packet December 2021

Portland State University Faculty Senate

Follow this and additional works at: <https://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/senateminutes>

Let us know how access to this document benefits you.

Recommended Citation

Portland State University Faculty Senate, "Faculty Senate Monthly Packet December 2021" (2021). *Faculty Senate Monthly Packets*. 375.

<https://pdxscholar.library.pdx.edu/senateminutes/375>

This Minutes is brought to you for free and open access. It has been accepted for inclusion in Faculty Senate Monthly Packets by an authorized administrator of PDXScholar. Please contact us if we can make this document more accessible: pdxscholar@pdx.edu.

Faculty Senate, 6 December 2021



This meeting will take place as an online conference. Registration information will be sent to senators, ex-officio members, and presenters. Others who wish to speak in the meeting should contact a senator and the Secretary in advance, in order to receive registration information and to be introduced by the senator during the meeting. A livestream will be available at the Faculty Senate website: <https://www.pdx.edu/faculty-senate>.

In accordance with the Bylaws, the agenda and supporting documents are sent to senators and ex-officio members in advance of meetings so that members of Senate can consider action items, study documents, and confer with colleagues. In the case of lengthy documents, only a summary will be included with the agenda. Full curricular proposals are available through the Online Curriculum Management System:

pdx.smartcatalogiq.com/Curriculum-Management-System/Dashboard/Curriculum-Dashboard

If there are questions or concerns about agenda items, please consult the appropriate parties and make every attempt to resolve them before the meeting, so as not to delay Senate business.

Items on the *Consent Agenda* are **approved** (proposals or motions) or **received** (reports) without further discussion, unless a senator gives notice to the Secretary in writing prior to the meeting, or from the floor prior to the end of **roll call**. Any senator may pull any item from the *Consent Agenda* for separate consideration, provided timely notice is given.

Senators are reminded that the Constitution specifies that the Secretary be provided with the name of any **alternate**. An alternate is a faculty member from the same Senate division as the faculty senator who is empowered to act on the senator's behalf in discussions and votes. An alternate may represent only one senator at any given meeting. A senator who misses more than three meetings consecutively will be dropped from the Senate roster.

www.pdx.edu/faculty-senate

PORTLAND STATE
UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE



To: Faculty Senators and Ex-Officio Members of Faculty Senate
From: Richard Beyler, Secretary to the Faculty

Faculty Senate will meet on **6 December 2021** at **3:00 p.m.**

*This meeting will be held as an online conference. A livestream will be linked to the Faculty Senate website. Senators represented by **Alternates** must notify the Secretary by **noon** on **Monday, December 6th**. Others who wish to speak should ask a senator to send notification to the Presiding Officer and Secretary by **noon** on **Monday, December 6th**. The **Consent Agenda** is **approved** without further discussion unless any senator, prior to the end of Announcements, requests separate consideration for any item.*

AGENDA

- A. Roll Call and *Consent Agenda* (see also E.1-2, G.4-6)
 - * 1. Roll call *will be effected through the online participants list*
 - * 2. Minutes of 1 November meeting – *Consent Agenda*
 - 3. Procedural: Presiding Officer may move any agenda item – *Consent Agenda*
- B. Announcements
 - 1. Announcements from Presiding Officer
 - 2. Announcements from Secretary
 - 3. Introduction of Mayra Capistran, DREAMers Support Services Grad. Asst. (O. Fernández)
- C. Discussion – Research at PSU (J. Podrabsky, VP-RGS; I. Jaén Portillo, chair, AHC-ITR; see AHC-ITR & URC reports from Nov.)
- D. Unfinished Business – *none*
- E. New Business
 - * 1. Curricular proposals (GC, UCC) – *Consent Agenda*
 - * 2. Program elimination: Undergraduate Certificate in Revitalizing Endangered Indigenous Languages (UCC) – *Consent Agenda*
- F. Question Period
 - * 1. Question to Provost regarding internationalization
- G. Reports from Officers of the Administration and from Committees
 - 1. President's Report
 - 2. Provost's Report
 - 3. Report from Interinstitutional Faculty Senate
 - * 4. Final Report of Ad-Hoc Committee to Consider Definitions of Faculty, Program, and Department in the Faculty Constitution – *Consent Agenda*
 - * 5. Report of Graduate Council regarding ongoing concerns with accountability for OCMS DEI question classroom implementation – *Consent Agenda*
 - * 6. Monthly Report of Ad-Hoc Committee on Academic Program Reduction and Curricular Adjustment – *Consent Agenda*
- H. Adjournment

***See the following attachments.**

Complete curricular proposals are available at the [Online Curriculum Management System](#).

A.1. Roster

A.2. Minutes for 11/1/21 – *Consent Agenda*

E.1.a-b. Curricular proposals (GC, UCC) – *summaries* – *Consent Agenda*

E.2. Prog. elim.: Undergrad. Cert. Revitalizing Endangered Indigenous. Lang. (UCC) – *Consent Agenda*

F.1. Question to Provost

G.4. Final Report of AHC-Definitions

G.5. Report from GC

G.4. Monthly Report of AHC-APRCA

PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATORS, 2021-22

Steering Committee

Vicki Reitenauer, Presiding Officer

Rowanna Carpenter, Presiding Officer Elect • Michele Gamburd, Past Presiding Officer

Bishupal Limbu (2021-23) • Susan Lindsay (2021-22) • Becky Sanchez (2021-23) • Steven Thorne (2020-22)

Ex-officio (non-voting): Richard Beyler, Secretary to the Faculty • Randi Harris, Chair, Comm. on Committees

Yves Labissiere, Faculty Trustee & Senior IFS Rep.

College of the Arts (COTA) [4]

Borden, Amy E.	FILM	2022 *+
Colligan, George	MUS	2023 *
Heilmair, Barbara	MUS	2023
Heryer, Alison	A+D	2024

The School of Business (SB) [4]

Finn, Timothy	SB	2024
Loney, Jennifer	SB	2022 +
Raffo, David	SB	2023
Sanchez, Becky	SB	2022

College of Education (COE) [4]

De La Vega, Esperanza	C&I	2024
Farahmandpur, Ramin	ELP	2022 +
Kelley, Sybil	ELP	2023
Thieman, Gayle	C&I	2024

Maseeh College of Engineering & Computer Science (MCECS) [5]

Duncan, Donald	ECE	2022
Dusicka, Peter	CEE	2023
Feng, Wu-chang	CMP	2022
Tretheway, Derek	MME	2024
Wern, Chien	MME	2024

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—Arts & Letters (CLAS-AL) [6]

Clark, Michael	ENG	2023
Cortez, Enrique	WLL	2023
Jaén Portillo, Isabel	WLL	2024
Limbu, Bishupal	ENG	2022
Thorne, Steven	WLL	2022 +
Watanabe, Suwako	WLL	2024

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—Sciences (CLAS-Sci) [7]

Caughman, John	MTH	2024
Cruzan, Mitch	BIO	2023
Eppley, Sarah	BIO	2022
Goforth, Andrea	CHE	2023
Lafferriere, Beatriz	MTH	2022 +
Tuor, Leah	BIO	2021 *
Webb, Rachel	MTH	2024

College of Liberal Arts & Sciences—Social Sciences (CLAS-SS) [6]

Ajibade, Jola	GGR	2023 +
Ferbel-Azcarata, Pedro	BST	2024
Gamburd, Michele	ANT	2022
Lockett, Thomas	HST	2023 *
Reitenauer, Vicki	WGSS	2022 +
Wilkinson, Lindsey	SOC	2024

Library (LIB) [1]

Mikulski, Richard	LIB	2023 +
-------------------	-----	--------

School of Public Health (SPH) [2]

Izumi, Betty	CH	2024
Labissiere, Yves	CH	2022 +

School of Social Work (SSW) [4]

Chorpenning, Matt	SSW	2023
Donlan, Ted	SSW	2024
Oschwald, Mary	RRI	2022 +
Smith, Gary	SSW	2023

College of Urban and Public Affairs (CUPA) [5]

Clucas, Richard	PS	2023
Eastin, Joshua	PS	2024
Erev, Stephanie	PS	2023
Kinsella, David	PS	2022 +
Rai, Pronoy	IGS	2024

Other Instructional Faculty (OI) [3]

Carpenter, Rowanna	UNST	2023
Lindsay, Susan	IELP	2024
Taylor, Sonja	UNST	2022 *

All Other Faculty (AO) [9]

Baccar, Cindy	REG	202
Flores, Greg	ACS	2022
Gómez, Cynthia	POF	2023
Harris, Randi	TRSRC	2022 +
Hunt, Marcy	SHAC	2023
Kennedy, Karen	ACS	2022
Law, Anna	ACS	2023
Mudiamu, Sally	OGEI	2024
Romaniuk, Tanya	ACS	2024

Notes:

* Interim appointment • + Committee on Committees • Total positions: 60 • Status: 28 September 2021

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF PSU FACULTY SENATE, 2020-21

Administrators

Adler, Sy	Interim Dean, College of Urban and Public Affairs
Allen, Clifford	Dean, School of Business
Bangsberg, David	Dean, OHSU-PSU Joint School of Public Health
Bowman, Michael	Acting Dean, Library
Bynum, Leroy, Jr.	Dean, College of the Arts
Chabon, Shelly	Vice Provost for Academic Personnel and Leadership Development
Coll, Jose	Dean, School of Social Work; Interim Dean, College of Education
Feng, Wu-chi	Interim Dean, Maseeh College of Engineering and Computer Science
Jeffords, Susan	Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs
Knepfle, Chuck	Vice President for Enrollment Management
Lambert, Ame	Vice President for Global Diversity and Inclusion
Mulkerin, Amy	Vice Provost for Academic Budget and Planning
Percy, Stephen	President
Podrabsky, Jason	Interim Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies
Reynolds, Kevin	Vice President for Finance and Administration
Rosenstiel, Todd	Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Toppe, Michele	Vice Provost for Student Affairs
Walsh, Michael	Dean of Student Life
Wooster, Rossitza	Dean, Graduate School

Faculty Committee Chairs

Borden, Amy +	University Studies Council
Burgess, David	Intercollegiate Athletics Board
Chaillé, Peter	Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
Colligan, George +	General Student Affairs Committee
Comer, Kate	University Writing Council
Cruzan, Mitchell +	Budget Committee (co-chair)
Duh, Geoffrey	Academic Computing Infrastructure Committee
Emery, Jill	Budget Committee (co-chair)
Estes, Jones	Academic Quality Committee
Janssen, Mollie	Educational Policy Committee (co-chair)
Klein, Charles	Educational Policy Committee (co-chair)
Nadeau, Jay	University Research Committee
Read, Sarah	Graduate Council
Recktenwald, Gerald	Library Committee
Shatzer, Liz	Scholastic Standards Committee
Trimble, Anmarie	Academic Appeals Board
Watanabe, Suwako	Academic Requirements Committee
York, Harry	Honors Council
TBD (December 2021):	FDC

Senate Officers and Other Faculty Officers

Beyler, Richard	Secretary to the Faculty
Carpenter, Rowanna +	Advisory Council (2020-22); Presiding Officer Elect
Chivers, Sarah	Adjunct faculty representative
Ford, Emily	Advisory Council (2021-23)
Jaén Portillo, Isabel	Past Presiding Officer
Labissiere, Yves +	Advisory Council (2019-21); IFS (Jun. 2019-Dec. 2021); BoT
Oschwald, Mary +	Chair, Committee on Committees
Padín, José +	Advisory Council (2020-22); Steering Committee (2020-22)
Reitenauer, Vicki +	Presiding Officer Elect
Sager, Alexander	IFS (Jan. 2021-Dec. 2023) [also EPC co-chair]
Sipelii, Motutama	President, ASPSU
Thorne, Steven +	Steering Committee (2020-22)
Voegele, Janelle	Advisory Council (2020-22)
Webb, Rachel	Advisory Council (2019-21)
Zonoozy, Khalil	Adjunct faculty representative

Notes

+ Also an elected senator

Status: 29 November 2021

Minutes of the Portland State University Faculty Senate, 1 November 2021
DRAFT • (Online Conference) • DRAFT

Presiding Officer: Vicki Reitenauer

Secretary: Richard Beyler

Senators present: Ajibade, Baccar, Carpenter, Caughman, Chorpenning, Clark, Clucas, Colligan, Cortez, Cruzan, De La Vega, Donlan, Dusicka, Eastin, Eppley, Farahmandpur, Feng, Ferbel-Azcarate, Finn, Flores, Gamburd, Goforth, Gómez, Harris, Heilmair, Heryer, Hunt, Izumi, Jaén Portillo, Kelley, Kennedy, Kinsella, Labissiere, Lafferriere, Law, Limbu, Lindsay, Loney, Luckett, Mikulski, Mudiamu, Oschwald, Raffo, Rai, Reitenauer, Romaniuk, Sanchez, Taylor, Thieman, Thorne, Tretheway, Tuor, Watanabe, Webb, Wern, Wilkinson.

Alternate present: Jack Miller for Erev.

Senators absent: Borden, Duncan, Smith.

Ex-officio members present: Beyler, Bowman, Burgess, Chabon, Chaillé, Chivers, Coll, Comer, Duh, Emery, Estes, Feng (Wu-chi), Ford, Jeffords, Knepfle, Lambert, Mulkerin, Podrabsky, Read, Recktenwald, Rosenstiel, Toppe, Wooster.

The meeting was **called to order** at 3:02 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL AND CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Roll call** *was effected using the participants list of the online meeting.*
2. **Minutes of 4 October meeting** were **received** as part of the *Consent Agenda*.

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Announcements from Presiding Officer

REITENAUER gave an overview of the agenda and meeting procedures.

C. DISCUSSION: Budget (BC, AHC-APRCA, FADM, OAA)

EMERY summarized the role and function of Budget Committee [BC]. [For presentation slides see **November Minutes Appendix C.1.**] BC consults with Finance and Administration (FADM) and Academic Affairs (OAA), makes recommendations, analyzes documents, and meets with the various colleges and schools. BC considers budgetary implications of new programs, elimination of programs, etc.; and reviews expenditures of public and grant funding, especially when conditions are attached. BC recommends to the President and Senate policies that have to be followed in case of financial exigency.

EMERY stated several questions raised by BC. What are the projections and budget implications of reduced enrollments? What adjustments, investments, and relocations have been made outside of OAA? How will OAA's annual budgeting process, IPEB, integrate with program review? How has the Education and General (E&G) budget changed since adoption of the current fiscal year [FY] budget? For the [previous] FY, what was the surplus or deficit, and how much does the University currently hold in reserves? Finally, what are the plans for discussions around program reductions—how and when will they be implemented?

REITENAUER recognized Andria JOHNSON, Associate Vice President for University Budget and Financial Planning (FADM). [For presentation slides, see **Appendix C.2.**]

JOHNSON first reviewed the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF). This term covers several rounds. Around \$44 million went to direct payments to students. The institutional portion, including strengthening funds, totaled about \$61.7 million. Rules on usage changed several times during the year. Once the rules stabilized, in spring, FADM went to the Board of Trustees [BoT] with a recommendation for use of funds in FY21. About \$30.5 million of the institutional funding was applied to lost tuition revenue, auxiliary losses, reduction in research [indirects], and designated operations. Decisions around lost revenue reimbursement followed discussions about the best ways to limit audit risk. When the FY books closed in July, we ended up using just over \$29 million of the \$30.5 million proposed. The tuition revenue reimbursement has, in effect, been parked in central reserves; the final use of those funds has not been decided. We received slightly more institutional funds than originally anticipated, bringing the total available to just under \$62 million. Including costs for COVID-related [modifications] from FY21 and FY20, the total spent and allocated so far is about \$35.7 million, leaving just over \$26 million for FY22. The third tranche requires spending to monitor and suppress COVID, and outreach to financial aid applicants.

JOHNSON then summarized how we ended FY21. There were impressive enrollment gains in summer 2020, but combined with academic year decline, we ended the FY down 6.4% [in student credit hours] from the prior FY. Undergraduates showed the largest decline, in particular non-residents, down 18%. This had a major impact on tuition revenue. Actual gross tuition revenue was slightly lower than our budget, but that revenue loss was offset by lower spending on [tuition] remissions. The revised budget did not include the impact of work-share and leave without pay with extended benefits, nor savings from the hiring freeze and executive pay reductions, because these were unanticipated one-time savings. Combined, these created about \$30 in salary and other personnel costs in FY21.

The pandemic's greatest effect, JOHNSON said, was on auxiliary funds. FADM sought BoT approval for \$7.6 million in treasury reserves to cover debt payments; we used \$7.1 million of that. They are working on a plan for [auxiliary] units to replenish the reserves.

Looking at fourth quarter financials, JOHNSON cited four points of interest. Net tuition came in higher than budget (\$191 million versus \$188) due to lower remissions. Gifts and contracts were up, primarily due to the Federal reimbursement [of grant indirects]. Auxiliaries showed a cash gain of \$7.9 million, but [as noted above] this was primarily from treasury reserves which will have to be repaid.

Overall, JOHNSON continued, we budgeted for a \$29.5 million loss, but we did not [actually] experience it due to E&G savings, use of reserves for debt payments, reimbursement of lost revenue, etc., so the bottom line after HEERF was \$20.2 million positive for E&G and \$32.4 million positive for All Funds.

Looking more closely at E&G, JOHNSON observed that gross tuition revenue is down from prior fiscal years; we anticipated that to happen again this year and next year. Tuition is the largest revenue source. Savings came from not spending all of the budget we thought we were going to spend. Personnel expenses were down, mostly due to work-share, the hiring freeze, and unfilled budgeted positions. Some of these savings aren't going to be repeated in future years. S&S [services and supplies] was down due to utility and travel savings. We added almost \$6.5 million to E&G reserves before the HEERF reimbursement, divided among operating and central reserves; after HEERF reimbursements, E&G reserves

increased by \$20.2 million. From reimbursements, \$12.5 million went to central reserves and \$1.3 million to operating reserves.

JOHNSON then looked at reserves. BoT policy set in 2016 indicates the types of reserves, and goals and standards for each. These are intended to mitigate effects of unforeseen shortfalls. The status is reported each year in the financial dashboard. For E&G reserves there are two components: central and operating. The BoT's combined target minimum is 25% or 13 weeks of the annual E&G budget. The National Association of College and University Business Officers recommends holding 20.8 weeks of reserves.

E&G operating reserves, JOHNSON noted, showed an increase [from last FY]. Many people, including BC, asked why our reserves have been increasing while we've been cutting budgets. Operating reserves increase when divisions do not fully spend their budgeted expenditures, or when they bring in more revenue than expected. As noted earlier, we had about \$30 million in salary savings—for example, if there was a delay in hiring for a planned position, or if a faculty member got a grant mid-year and bought out a portion of their time. Since 2016, operating reserves have consistently been above the BoT minimum.

In FY21, JOHNSON said, [E&G] operating reserves grew by \$12.6 million. Part of that was due to the University making \$5.2 million in bridge funding available to supplement the FY21 operating budget. Since divisions didn't actually need those funds, we return them back to central reserves, so some reserves moved from central to operating and then back again. Going forward divisions will need to use their own operating reserves to supplement the budget. In FY22, divisions have budgeted just under \$15 million in bridge funds from those reserves. It remains to be seen how much of that divisions will actually need to use, or if we will again have salary savings.

Similarly, JOHNSON said, central reserves have grown since 2015. Unlike operating reserves, this was an intentional line item from 2016 through 2019. It was down in 2020, then up again in 2021, largely from the [HEERF] tuition revenue reimbursement. We are now over the target minimum. The President, Executive Council, and BoT are working on a plan for use of a portion of central reserves, but no decisions have been made yet.

The [FY 2021-22] budget was built using a tuition increase, JOHNSON reported, with enrollment forecast down 5.5% and a slight increase in the state allocation. There is a 1.5% reduction in the general fund from the FY21 revised budget, applied to all divisions. It includes [use of] \$15 million in reserves. Each division figured out how to readjust their own budget. Divisions may use some strategic use of additional [operating] reserves, but we encouraged everyone to stay above the BoT minimum. One-time HEERF funding is not included in the budget numbers.

JOHNSON said that E&G net tuition revenue is projected at just under \$179 million, based on a 5.5% enrollment decline for FY22. Total E&G revenue is forecast at \$325 million, expenses at \$340 million; we anticipate \$15 million out of reserves or bridge funds to balance the budget. As in past years, we may or may not spend all of our budget, particularly in personnel expenses, which means we may not need all of the \$15 million in reserves. That is good because we're going to need to draw on these reserves as we work through a multi-year plan to get our budget balanced over the next several years.

Continuing to designated operations and service departments, JOHNSON said they are planning for a slight rebound from FY21. Designated operations are projected to have a loss of \$740,000; they have \$5 million fund balance to cover that loss. Auxiliaries anticipate about \$88 million in revenue, a phased return to pre-pandemic conditions, with expenses at \$94 million. The all funds budget indicates a cash loss of \$21.5 million, not including any additional strategic reserves, nor HEERF. \$244 out of \$340 million in E&G expenditures is allocated to OAA. At just under 57%, this is a large portion of our budget.

JOHNSON turned to student credit hours. For summer we were down 18% from the prior year—we expected to be down but not that much—and as of October 25th [for fall term] down 5.5%. They are working to understand the impact of these declines and will report to BoT on November 10th. They do not plan to have mid-year cuts, but declining student credit hours will definitely impact plans for FY23.

MULKERIN (Vice Provost for Academic Budget and Planning, OAA) described the IPEB (integrated planning of enrollment and budget) process. [For presentation slides, see **Appendix C.3.**] This process for strategic enrollment management typically starts in December and is completed in May. She worked with BC and Provost to define the process and timeline. It's an iterative process. The colleges, schools, and academic support units prepare materials, which are reviewed by BC and the enrollment team. There are college-level meetings between deans and BC to review the materials, looking for trends, opportunities, and concerns. Throughout this process, we update enrollment forecasts. We finalize the process through resource allocation, which is really determined when we understand the final budget. The strategic enrollment plan document is based on projections from the Office of Institutional Research and Planning (OIRP); when they finalize the forecast for next year, they share that back the academic units, and we revise [the document] to make sure it is in alignment. The strategic planning narrative helps us understand how investments, reductions, and collaborations may impact enrollment and retention, and understand details that are not presented in the numbers elsewhere. They have scenarios for budget increases or decreases, asking units how they would achieve a balanced budget given contractual obligations. They look at how remission requests align with the enrollment plans.

MULKERIN continued: we also have a multi-year view of the anticipated strategic use of management reserves for such things as startup packages, equipment replacement, and one-time project costs. As JOHNSON mentioned, we need to use reserves to bridge our operational budget, so we need to monitor this multi-year view.

GAMBURD offered comments on behalf of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Academic Program Reduction and Curricular Adjustment (AHC-APRCA). Their goal, she said, is to mediate the tension between budget, which is the responsibility of OAA, and curricular decisions, which are the responsibility of the Faculty. As budgets shrink, we have fewer resources to do what we need to do as Faculty to offer curricular programs and courses to students. The committee hopes to ensure that Faculty concerns about curriculum are part of the budget conversations—that we have meaningful participation and opportunities for input. The committee also wants to make sure that a diversity, equity, and inclusion lens is placed on decisions, so that we are aware of their impact on the most vulnerable members of our communities: faculty, staff, and students. AHC-APRCA is working with BC, JEFFORDS, and MULKERIN, and continue to talk about plans and seek input from faculty.

JEFFORDS thanked AHC-APRCA for rich and robust conversations. The committee reviewed and given feedback on drafts of the proposed timeline. She also thanked BC for their feedback. She hoped to share a final version with campus soon. They also have been working on the dashboards developed by the working group last spring. These have continued to be revised and updated with recent data. OIRP said that updated information will be incorporated this week.

It's clear, JEFFORDS said, that the process will not be completed by spring 2022. AHC-APRCA made clear that a chief concern is adequate time for consultation and feedback. Conversations are unlikely to be concluded this coming year, and will be incorporated into budget conversations not only for the following year but likely for the year after that.

KELLEY appreciated that the process is more thoughtful and inclusive, though it is slower. She felt that, for a long time, PSU has been entrenched in a culture of fear and deficit thinking. She hoped that we could pull back from that. It seemed that almost always when we drill down, the numbers aren't as bad as predicted, or there are surpluses in some places and not in others. We are still in a situation where everything is changing and interconnected, from climate to COVID. She would like to see more of an abundance mindset. The current model, that we've been using for ten years or so, has discouraged collaboration and has siloed us. From her experience, part of why enrollment has gone down is that students are not seeing relevance in the way we've been doing things for decades. That is not unique to PSU.

CHIVERS asked JOHNSON: out of the \$30 million in personnel savings referred to, based on the [budget model] that personnel are hired for a full year, how much of the savings comes from converting full-time or tenure-track lines to part-time, adjunct positions with contingent faculty hires? JOHNSON said it would not be easy to answer—it would take significant research. Much depends on the timing of when the hire happens.

LINDSAY commented that, if she understood correctly, the surplus is higher than it's ever been. Yet last year we went through a painful process, using Article 22 of the collective bargaining agreement, which is supposed to be used only under extreme conditions and hasn't been used in decades. The was used to justify the termination of nine continuous-contract [non-tenure-track] faculty who had been here at least fifteen years. Those nine terminations were based on the idea that we were in such a crisis; the facts presented here [today] clarify the reality. At that time, there was enough supporting coming from the Federal government to protect those positions and allow those people to continue to be of service at the University. She was therefore disappointed by what happened last year. It has been absolutely wrenching within their department. She had lost much faith in an institution to which she had devoted the majority of her adult life. She felt as though they had been guinea pigs for flexing the Article 22 muscle. She thought it was unethical, and that the numbers prove it. Her comment was: please don't do this to anyone else.

GAMBURD, reverting to CHIVERS, thought that it would be difficult to trace particular lines, but that it would not be too hard to report about the percentage of student credit hours delivered by different categories of faculty, which would show trends in the mix of types of faculty. REITENAUER suggested that BC could look into this.

FARAHMANDPUR observed that in this legislative session Oregon approved an 8.1% increase to the public university support fund; the Oregon opportunity grants increased by 21.8%; Oregon's total post-secondary and training budget increased by 23.2%. Legislators

seem to be optimistic about improving the higher education system by investing more money. Is that part of the calculation? He was thinking about our mission to serve low-income, BIPOC, and first-generation students. As KELLEY asked, how could we change our narrative to something optimistic? By all accounts, it seemed that we do have the resources.

JOHNSON replied that the increase in the public university support fund was not built into the budget; however, when we do the first quarter forecast on November 10, it will show as a variance against our budget. Against the declining enrollment that was built into our budget it is likely that an increase state funds will in fact offset a gross tuition revenue loss. They are still fine-tuning some of the numbers. The quarter one forecast will appear on both on the Budget Office website and the BoT website.

FERBEL-AZCARATE, echoing KELLEY, said that the scarcity mentality doesn't play out when we look towards investment, as opposed to cutting budgets as a knee-jerk reaction, which he had seen for not just ten but for twenty years. He didn't know the mechanisms by which we could change that mentality, but thought it had to do with how we market ourselves with investment language and communication. These realities play out in people losing jobs, and they impact students. He thanked the colleagues for pointing this out.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Curricular proposals (GC) – *Consent Agenda*

The new course listed in **November Agenda Attachment E.1** was approved as part of the *Consent Agenda*, there having been no objection before the end of announcements.

2. Notifications of program moratorium (UCC) – *Consent Agenda*

Notification of a moratorium of the following programs, as stated in **November Agenda Attachment E.2**, was **received** as part of the *Consent Agenda*:

a. Undergraduate Major in Chinese

b. Undergraduate Minor in Chinese

3. Resolution: Defending Academic Freedom to Teach and Research Race and Gender Justice and Critical Race Theory (Steering)

CHORPENNING / THORNE **moved** the resolution defending academic freedom to teach and research race and gender justice, and critical race theory, as stated in **November Agenda Attachment E.3**.

CARPENTER, speaking on behalf of Steering Committee, said that this resolution builds on the resolution passed last year regarding academic freedom [March 2021, item E.4], and responds to attempts by legislators, school boards, and university trustees across the country to limit research and teaching related to critical race theory and to race and gender justice. A group of colleagues developed the resolution and brought it to Steering Committee, which endorsed it and decided to bring it to the floor for consideration.

KINSELLA offered additional background: the resolution addresses the nationwide campaign to restrict teaching about so-called divisive concept, the usual targets of which are courses or training programs on racial and gender justice. The campaign started largely with the former President's executive order on "race and sex stereotyping" in

September 2020. That order used superficial appeals to equity to restrict or chill teaching or training that may appear divisive or create discomfort. The concepts referred to in the order included various things that anyone would find objectionable, but also definitions that were subjective and vague. It was widely criticized on those grounds. Section Four, which was most directly concerned with training by government contractors, was enjoined by the US District Court of Northern California in December 2020, and the entire order was revoked by President Biden on 20 January 2021, as was the executive order creating the 1776 Commission.

KINSELLA continued: the campaign to prohibit teaching on the topics of race and gender justice when they're deemed divisive has been taken up by many states and localities. Critical race theory, or what people think of as critical race theory, has come in for special attack. Fourteen states have passed such restrictive bills, and ten others are continuing them. Thankfully Oregon is not one of those states, but the battle has been waged in some Oregon localities.

The resolution, KINSELLA said, takes a stand against this campaign: first, reaffirming our academic freedom and responsibility for the University's curriculum as recognized in the Faculty Constitution, in the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and by the Board of Trustees; second, highlighting the subjectivity involved in labeling a topic divisive and the potential this has to chill open pedagogy; and third, highlighting the importance of race and gender justice in our curriculum, consistent with PSU's mission statement and communications by President Percy. The resolution also calls on the President and Provost to oppose any efforts by outside bodies, including the legislature or BoT, to restrict or dictate our curriculum. It affirms the statement by AAUP, now endorsed by over seventy organizations, on efforts to restrict education about racism.

The **resolution** on academic freedom as given in **Attachment E.3** was **approved** (49 yes, 1 no, 3 abstain, vote recorded by online survey).

REITENAUER: with the news out of Florida, this issue continues to affect colleagues across the country. She was glad that we stood with our colleagues today.

F. QUESTION PERIOD – *none*

G. REPORTS

1. President's report – *PERCY was out of town and did not present a report.*

2. Provost's report

JEFFORDS appreciated the work that went into the last resolution; she shared the sentiments of those who put it together.

JEFFORDS shared that the most recent update showed the six-year graduation rate for first-time entering students had gone up to 51.7%. She believed this was the first time at PSU that it was above 50%. The four-year graduation rate for transfer students had gone up to 60%, again apparently for the first time in anyone's memory. She applauded the faculty and staff who contributed to increasing these outcomes and enabling students to achieve their dreams for going to college.

In an effort to regularize and improve communications coming from OAA, JEFFORDS said, they were putting together an OAA newsletter, the first edition of which was planned for November. She thanked Vanelda HOPES for pulling that together.

JEFFORDS reported on the summer bridge program for first-time college students. It was free to all students; those with high school GPAs lower than 3.0 were particularly encouraged to participate. There was a course in quantitative skills, another in writing, and one in college success. There were other activities for students to connect with each other and get to know the campus. Of 245 students who took part, 95% enrolled for the fall term, and 97% of those who took advantage of the housing option. They have committed to the program again next summer. Funds for the program come from the state. They will be conducting assessments and listening sessions with participants to see how students perform and persist during the coming year. JEFFORDS thanked all who participated, and in particular Shoshana ZEISMAN-PEREYO of The Learning Center.

JEFFORDS said that discussions were underway about continuing the retirement incentive program for the coming year.

Thirty-four Reimagine PSU proposals were received by the October 15th deadline, JEFFORDS said. Her intention is, as much as possible with the resources available, to support each of the proposals (potentially with some adjustments to the proposed budget). She appreciated the good ideas that had been brought forward.

There were questions at the last BoT meeting, JEFFORDS said, about a statement in her fall welcome-back letter that we were thinking about what it might look like for PSU to become a hybrid university. This might have been taken to suggest that we'd already had these conversations and made decisions. She intended to say that we have not had those conversations, but that she looked forward to an opportunity to have them. She had reached out to the Futures Collaboratory to find a robust way to structure such conversations over the course of the next year. Student surveys indicated a strong interest in having options available to them for their course modalities—both in-person services and opportunities for remote access when they are unable to come to campus. The more options we can provide, they more likely they are to succeed. We need to think about how to respond to our students with flexibility.

One step in this direction, JEFFORDS said, was that many students indicated a preference for two-day-a-week classes rather than three days. Therefore we will add Monday-Wednesday course meetings as a regular scheduling option.

JEFFORDS said that it had become apparent to her that we need strong leadership for our student success work. After discussions with the Presiding Officer and Presiding Officer Elect, she had decided to reopen the position that had been vacant for most of her time here, what had been a Vice President and would now be a Vice Provost for Student Success. The consultations also resulted in agreement that the position should be filled by an internal candidate. She believed it is important to have someone who will be thinking full-time about how to ensure students get the support they need to be successful. LABISSIERE had agreed to chair the search committee. She looked forward to hearing about potential candidates, and from potential candidates.

3. Final Report of Ad-Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Teaching and Research

Committee chair JAÉN PORTILLO said that a discussion of the report [**November Agenda Attachment G.3**] is planned for December. She thanked members of the faculty and administration who shared information about their interdisciplinary practices in the survey. Based on that input, the committee had a set of recommendations to address barriers such as the budget model and distribution practices. She asked senators to consider how to coordinate out efforts, and to take action to overcome these obstacles.

4. Report of University Research Council

REITENAUER recognized Karen CELLARIUS to present survey information [see **November Agenda Attachment G.4**] from the URC report [presented originally at the June 14th meeting]. As a new committee, URC surveyed the faculty about what was going in related to research; she wished to present an updated report. The committee needed to address research, scholarship, and creative activities, not just [grand funded] research. They received 530 responses to the survey in April; about half of the respondents were tenured, and about one-third were non-tenure track. About two-thirds of respondents worked on research and one-third worked in creative arts and humanities. Respondents told us they felt research was important to the educational mission: not only [directly] educating students, but also as a way of providing them with employment and financial aid, including graduate assistantships, stipends, tuition remissions. Research also provided compensation for faculty and staff through course buyouts and soft money.

Despite this, CELLARIUS said, more than half of respondents felt that research activities were undervalued by the University, even though most of them felt they were valued by their department. People said that they wanted to collaborate and desired more information about research and creative activities going on at PSU.

Over half of the respondents, CELLARIUS reported, were unfamiliar with the open access publication policy, and less than a quarter had deposited their work in PDXScholar.

There was a desire for more collaboration across departments and more internal support, CELLARIUS said. The report outlined perceived barriers and suggested supports. The committee did qualitative analysis to get into these statements. They worked with Research and Graduate Studies to develop the survey, but RGS was also doing its own research and analysis over the summer. REITENAUER noted that PODRABSKY planned to share some of this analysis at the upcoming December meeting; this would be in conjunction with further discussion of the AHC-ITR report.

REITENAUER thanked all of the participants in the meeting who brought us important information, brought us an important resolution to consider, and shared in a heartfelt way about what it is like to be faculty, administrators, staff, and students at this institution.

*The following reports were received as part of the Consent Agenda [see the **respective November Agenda Attachments**]:*

5. Monthly Report of ACH-APRCA

6. Letter on childcare at PSU from Committee on Work/Life Balance

H. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was **adjourned** at 4:58 p.m.

Budget Committee

(Faculty Senate Budget Committee)

Charge

- 1. Consult with the President and his or her designee(s) and make recommendations for the preparation of the annual and biennial budgets.
- 2. Consult with academic leaders of colleges/schools, Intensive English Language Program, and University Studies, and make recommendations for the preparations of their annual budgets and enrollment plans. Each Budget Committee member from one of the above listed units shall serve as liaison to his/her unit for this purpose, with other members assigned as liaisons as needed.
- 3. Recommend budgetary priorities.
- 4. Analyze budgetary implications of new academic programs or program changes through the review of a business plan that anticipates and provides for the long-term financial viability of the program, and report this to the Senate.

Budget Committee

(Faculty Senate Budget Committee)

Charge (continued)

- 5. Analyze budgetary implications of the establishment, abolition, or major alteration of the structure or educational function of departments, schools, colleges, or other significant academic entities through the review of a business plan that anticipates and provides for the long-term financial viability of the unit, and report this to the Senate.
- 6. Consult regarding changes from budgets as prepared.
- 7. Review expenditures of public and grant funding as requested by the Faculty Senate.
- 8. Recommend to the President and to the Senate policies to be followed in implementing any declaration of financial exigency.

Budget Committee Faculty Representation

Committee Members

- | | | | |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| • Allen, Jennifer | CUPA (PA) | • Law, Anna | AO (ACS) |
| • Cruzan, Mitch | CLAS-Sci (BIO) | • Lee, Janice | CLAS-AL (ENG) |
| • Emery, Jill | LIB | • Mirpuri, Anoop | CLAS-AL (ENG) |
| • Garton, Derek | CLAS-SCI (MTH) | • Sugimoto, Amanda | COE (C&I) |
| • TBD | COTA (A+D) | • Tretheway, Derek | MCECS (MME) |
| • Gioia, Sam | SSW | • Eckhardt, Cara | SPH |
| • Glascott, Brenda | OI (HON) | • Friedrich Schuler | EPC (ex-officio) |
| • Hansen, David | SB | • Tim Anderson | EPC (ex-officio) |
| • Hsu, Chia Yin | CLAS-SS (HST) | • Lanie Sticka | ASPSU |
| • Lafrenz, Martin | CLAS-SS (GGR) | • Ryne Shelton | ASPSU |

Budget Committee Communication

Ex Officio Membership or Shared Membership

- Faculty Senate Steering Committee
- Education Policies Committee (EPC)
- Tuition Review Advisory Committee (TRAC)
- Faculty Senate
- Academic Program Reduction and Curricular Adjustments (APRCA)

Questions: Enrollment & Financial Conditions

1. What are the implications for reduced enrollment for our budget?
 - a. What are the projections for enrollment levels for the next few years?
2. How were the CARES/HEERF funds used?
3. What budget adjustments (investments, reallocations, or cuts) have been made outside of OAA?
4. What is the OAA annual budgeting process (IPEB) and how will that be integrated with program review?
5. How has Education and General funding changed since the adoption of the 2021/22 fiscal year budget?
6. What was the PSU FY2021 surplus/deficit?
7. How much does the university hold in reserves?
 - a. Why have reserves been increasing the last few years even as OAA units have been asked to make more budget cuts?
8. What are the plans for discussions around program reductions?
 - a. How and when will program adjustments be implemented?

Faculty Senate Budget Forum

2021.11.01 Minutes Appendix C.2 - p. A6

November 1, 2021



*Portland
State*
UNIVERSITY



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF I, II, III) Updates

<u>AWARD</u>	<u>STUDENT PORTION</u>	<u>INSTITUTIONAL PORTION</u>	<u>STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS PORTION (SIP)</u>
The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES/HEERF I)	\$8,320,203	\$8,320,202	\$827,183
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA/HEERF II)	\$8,320,203	\$22,419,901	\$1,300,752
The American Rescue Plan (ARP/HEERF III)	\$27,338,293	\$26,714,861	\$2,128,770



Purpose of Funds

- » Learning continuity
- » Direct financial aid to students impacted by the pandemic,
- » Institutional stabilization to address transition to remote learning and lost revenue

Information from U.S. Department of Education

Authorized uses of funds continues to shift due new legislation and administration changes

- » Retroactive changes in use of funds
- » Expansion of eligible students



FY 2020-21 Lost Revenue Reimbursement

	FY 2020-21 Proposed Allocation	Actual Amount
	\$30.5 million	\$29,076,608
Lost Tuition Revenue	\$12.5 million	\$12,493,593
Auxiliary losses	up to \$16 million	\$14,776,810
F&A reduction (research)	\$1.4 million	\$1,241,630
Designated Operations	\$600,000	\$564,575



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERF I, II, III) Updates

Maximum Institutional Funding Available (Including Strengthening the Institution Portion)

Category	Amount
Total Awards*	\$ 61,968,827
Total Spent/Allocated as of June 30, 2021**	\$35,732,607
Remaining Available Funds	\$26,236,220



FY 2020-2021 Summary Financial Results



Faculty Senate Budget Forum


FY21 Fourth Quarter Financial Reports

FY21 Enrollment - Student Credit Hours

	FY20 #	F21 #	Change #	Change %
Resident Undergraduate	539,353	515,973	-23,380	-4.3%
Resident Graduate	85,623	86,598	975	1.1%
Resident Subtotal	<i>624,976</i>	<i>602,571</i>	<i>-22,405</i>	<i>-3.6%</i>
Non-Resident Undergraduate	164,271	134,045	-30,226	-18.4%
Non-Resident Graduate	38,987	38,217	-770	-2.0%
Non-Resident Subtotal	<i>203,258</i>	<i>172,262</i>	<i>-30,996</i>	<i>-15.2%</i>
Total	828,234	744,833	-53,401	-6.4%



FY20-21 Budget to Actual and Forecast Update

- » Gross tuition revenue  \$290 thousand from revised budget offset by less remissions
- » Expenses under budget mostly due to personnel savings of \$30.6 million
- » Auxiliary funds saw the most impact from COVID-19 due to restricted campus activities.
- » Auxiliary expenses were offset by the use of \$7.1 million in treasury reserves to cover debt payments
- » Shows the mitigation of COVID-19 impact from federal stimulus funds as a separate line item

			2021.11.01	Minutes Appendix	C.2 - p. A14				
<i>Dollars in 000s</i>	E&G	Designated Operations	Service Departments	Auxiliary Enterprises	Restricted Funds	Total All Funds	Total All Funds 2020-21 Budget	FY21 Q3 Forecast to Q4 Actuals: Forecast	FY21 Q3 Forecast to Q4 Actuals: Percent
Revenue									
<i>Gross Tuition</i>	211,442	-	-	-	-	211,442	211,730	211,529	0.0%
<i>Less: Remissions</i>	(20,363)	-	-	-	-	(20,363)	(23,111)	(20,393)	-0.1%
Net Tuition	\$ 191,079	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 191,079	\$ 188,619	\$ 191,136	0.0%
Student Fees & Non Credit Tuition	\$ 12,443	\$ 1,764	\$ -	39,342	\$ -	\$ 53,549	\$ 60,443	\$ 54,061	-0.9%
Government Resources & Allocations	110,608	-	-	1,127	-	111,735	110,677	111,558	0.2%
Gift Grants and Contracts	12,964	1,295	0	1	96,200	110,461	85,101	81,716	35.2%
Student Financial Aid	-	-	-	-	65,213	65,213	64,537	67,711	-3.7%
Investment/Debt/Debt Service	3,666	832		373	57	4,928	4,917	5,597	-12.0%
Sales, Services & Other Revenue	5,923	1,726	2,879	25,687	334	36,549	44,304	34,609	5.6%
Total Revenue	\$ 336,683	\$ 5,617	\$ 2,879	\$ 66,531	\$ 161,804	\$ 573,514	\$ 558,598	\$ 546,388	5.0%
Expense									
Salaries & Wages	\$ 171,467	\$ 2,431	\$ 746	\$ 15,608	\$ 26,318	\$ 216,569	\$239,532	\$ 217,369	-0.4%
OPE (fringes)	89,616	1,056	320	\$ 9,167	12,471	112,629	120,257	111,294	1.2%
Service & Supplies (net of transfers)	61,210	2,405	1,150	\$ 33,848	29,134	127,747	152,302	133,756	-4.5%
Student Financial Aid	-	-	-	-	64,611	64,611	64,606	67,711	-4.6%
Management Reserve Expenses	7,904	-	-		-	7,904	-	8,656	-8.7%
Total Expense	\$ 330,197	\$ 5,891	\$ 2,215	\$ 58,622	\$ 132,534	\$ 529,460	\$ 576,697	\$ 538,786	-1.7%
Net before Depreciation	\$ 6,486	\$ (275)	\$ 664	\$ 7,909	\$ 29,270	\$ 44,053	\$ (18,099)	\$ 7,602	
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 121	\$ 11,532	\$ -	\$ 11,652	\$ 11,447	\$ 11,610	
Net before HEERF Reimbursements	\$ 6,486	\$ (275)	\$ 543	\$ (3,623)	\$ 29,270	\$ 32,401	\$ (29,547)	\$ (4,008)	
HEERF Reimbursements	\$ 13,735	\$ 565	\$ -	\$ 14,777	\$ (29,077)	\$ -			
Actual Net	\$ 20,221	\$ 290	\$ 543	\$ 11,154	\$ 193	\$ 32,401			

TOTAL UNIVERSITY FY20-21 Quarter 4 Unaudited Actuals

EDUCATION & GENERAL (E&G) Fiscal Year 2020-21 Quarter 4 Unaudited Actuals

2021.11.01 Minutes Appendix C.2 - p. A15

	FY20 Actuals	FY21 Budget	FY21 Q4 Actuals	FY21 Budget to Q4 Actuals - Dollars	FY21 Budget to Q4 Actuals - Percent	FY21 Q3 Forecast to Q4 Actuals - Forecast	FY21 Q3 Forecast to Q4 Actuals - Percent
Revenue							
Gross Tuition	\$ 218,695	\$ 211,730	\$ 211,442	\$ (288)	-0.1%	\$ 211,529	0.0%
Less: Remissions	(20,536)	(23,111)	(20,363)	2,748	-11.9%	(20,393)	-0.1%
Net Tuition	\$ 198,160	\$ 188,619	\$ 191,079	\$ 2,460	1.3%	\$ 191,136	0.0%
Student Fees	\$ 14,478	\$ 14,502	\$ 12,443	\$ (2,059)	-14.2%	\$ 12,359	0.7%
Government Resources & Allocations	107,018	109,659	110,608	949	0.9%	110,608	0.0%
Gifts Grants and Contracts	11,870	12,622	12,964	342	2.7%	12,754	1.6%
Investment/Debt/Debt Service	9,161	3,700	3,666	(34)	-0.9%	4,338	-15.5%
Sales, Services & Other Revenue	5,670	6,936	5,923	(1,013)	-14.6%	4,962	19.4%
Total Revenue	\$ 346,355	\$ 336,038	\$ 336,683	\$ 645	0.2%	\$ 336,157	0.2%
Expense							
Salaries & Wages	\$ 175,569	\$ 187,261	\$ 171,467	\$ (15,794)	-8.4%	\$ 172,427	-0.56%
OPE (fringes)	90,072	95,974	89,616	(6,358)	-6.6%	88,945	0.75%
Service & Supplies (net of transfers)	61,104	63,803	61,210	(2,593)	-4.1%	56,553	8.24%
Management Reserve Expenses	8,651	-	7,904	7,904	-	8,656	-8.69%
Total Expense	\$ 335,397	\$ 347,038	\$ 330,197	\$ (16,841)	-4.9%	\$ 326,581	1.11%
Net before Depreciation	\$ 10,958	\$ (11,000)	\$ 6,486	\$ 17,486		\$ 9,576	
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -	
Net before HEERF Reimbursements	\$ 10,958	\$ (11,000)	\$ 6,486	\$ 17,486		\$ 9,576	
HEERF Reimbursements			\$ 13,735				
Actual Net	\$ 10,958	\$ (11,000)	\$ 20,221	\$ 17,486		\$ 9,576	



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Reserves

Component Reserves

[Reserves Management Policy](#) has a target minimum of holding 25% (13 weeks) of the annual E&G Budget in Central and Operating Reserves. This minimum is based on guidance from NACUBO on having 20.8 weeks of reserves. At the close of FY21 PSU had 25.8 weeks of reserves (excluding GASB 68 & 75).



\$5.2 million of unused bridge funding from FY2021 were returned to central reserves

\$14.9 million is budgeted as bridge funds to supplement the FY 2021-22 operating budget

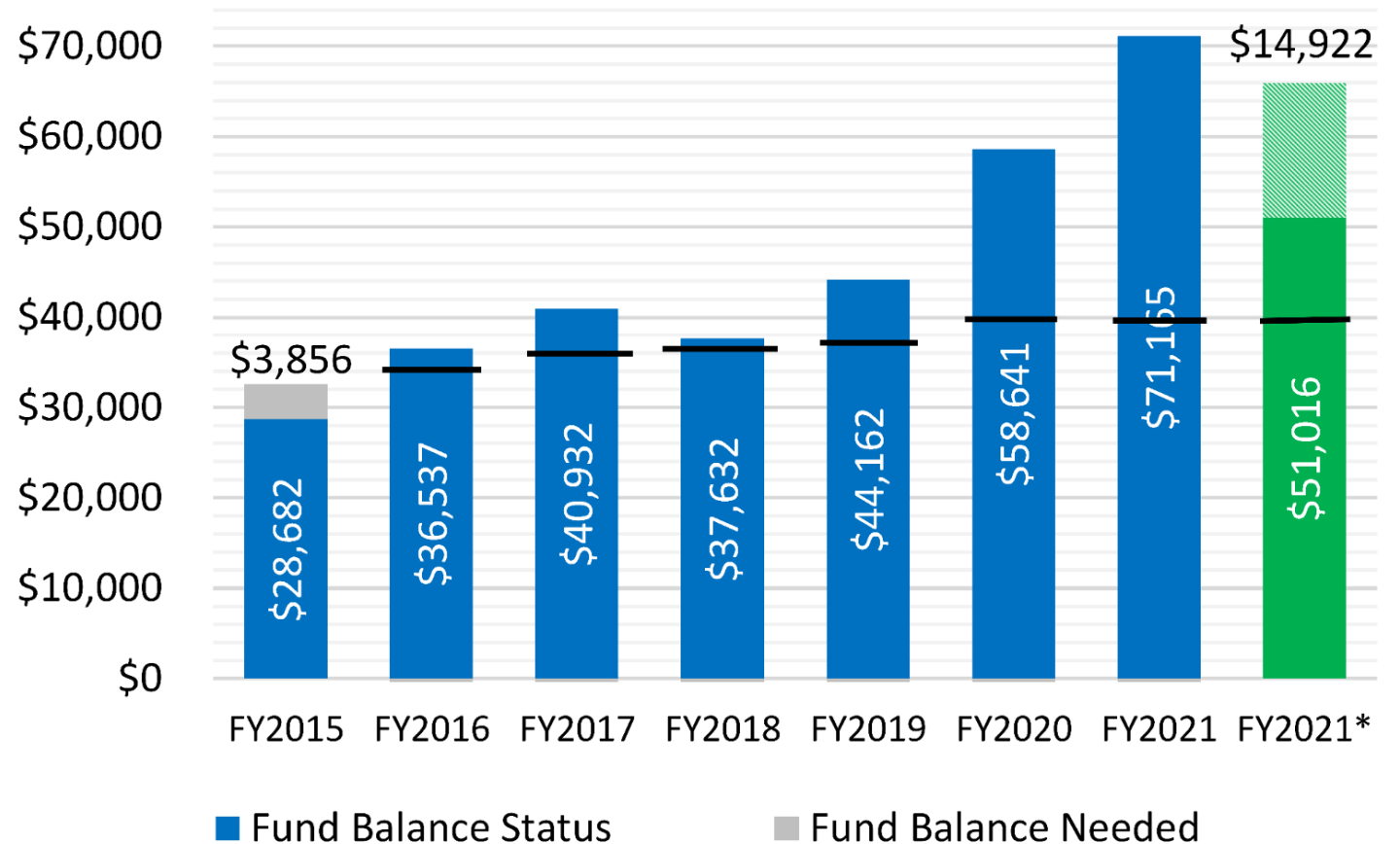
After the use of bridge funds, operating reserves are still over target by \$11.8 million

Divisions historically underspend their budgets which may result in little to no reduction in operating reserves in FY 2021-22

Operating reserves will be needed to supplement the operating budget for at least the next 2 years

Operating Reserves

(thousands)



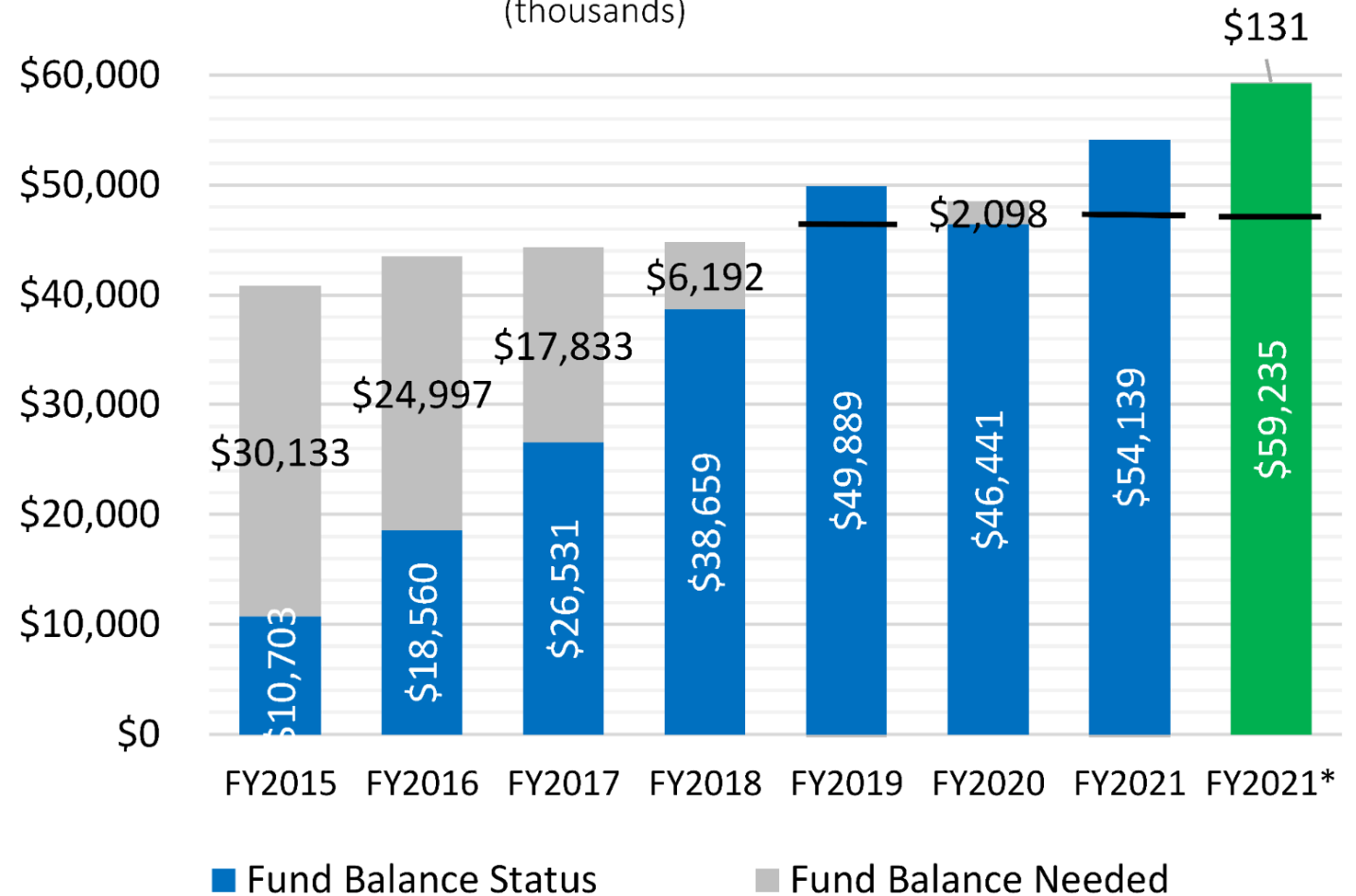


Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Reserves

Central Reserves

(thousands)





FY 2021-2022 All Funds Budget



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

FY 2021-22 All Funds Budget

Budget Summary

- » The 2021-22 budget is built using the tuition increase approved by the Board of Trustees in April 2021, a forecast change in enrollment of 5.5% from 2020-21, a slight increase in the state allocation and roughly a **1.5% reduction in the general fund from the 2020-21 revised budget** which includes an estimated \$15 million in reserves.
- » Each division made strategic decisions on how to deploy the general fund budget.
- » In addition to the \$15 million in reserves for the operating budget, divisions may use additional reserves for strategic purposes
- » The All Funds Operating budget anticipates a cash loss of \$21 million
- » One-time funding Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds slated to be used in 2021-22 are not included in the budget

FY 2021-22 Final All Funds Budget

<i>Dollars in 000s</i>	E&G	Designated Operations	Service Departments	Auxiliary Enterprises	Restricted Funds	Total All Funds
Revenue						
<i>Gross Tuition</i>	201,855	-	-	-	-	201,855
<i>Less: Remissions</i>	(23,138)	-	-	-	-	(23,138)
Net Tuition	\$ 178,716	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 178,716
Student Fees & Non Credit Tuition	\$ 13,394	\$ 3,268	\$ -	42,824	\$ -	\$ 59,486
Government Resources & Allocations	111,122	-	-	1,000	-	112,122
Gift Grants and Contracts	11,512	1,940	5	-	63,389	76,846
Student Financial Aid	-	-	-	-	57,384	57,384
Investment/Debt/Debt Service	4,146	532	-	468	81	5,227
Sales, Services & Other Revenue	6,695	2,007	3,092	43,718	319	55,830
Total Revenue	\$ 325,585	\$ 7,747	\$ 3,097	\$ 88,010	\$ 121,173	\$ 545,612
Expense						
Salaries & Wages	\$ 181,766	\$ 2,988	\$ 916	\$ 22,244	\$ 24,997	\$ 232,912
OPE (fringes)	98,295	1,392	430	\$ 11,315	12,008	123,441
Service & Supplies (net of transfers)	60,577	4,114	1,061	\$ 60,867	26,783	153,402
Student Financial Aid	-	-	-	-	57,384	57,384
Management Reserve Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expense	\$ 340,638	\$ 8,494	\$ 2,407	\$ 94,426	\$ 121,173	\$ 567,139
Net before Depreciation	\$ (15,053)	\$ (748)	\$ 689	\$ (6,416)	\$ -	\$ (21,527)
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 141	\$ 12,285	\$ -	\$ 12,426
Net	\$ (15,053)	\$ (748)	\$ 549	\$ (18,701)	\$ -	\$ (33,953)



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

FY 2021-22 All Funds Budget

<i>Dollars in 000's</i>	E&G	Designated Operations	Service Departments	Auxiliary Enterprises	Restricted Funds	Total All Funds	% of total
Academic Affairs	\$224,607	\$8,030	\$281	\$44,710	\$51,504	\$329,131	56.8%
Office of the President	11,116	124	3	221	1,361	12,825	2.2%
PSU Foundation	6,481	-	-	-	123	6,604	1.1%
Enrollment Management	7,851	-	-	-	3	7,853	1.4%
Research & Graduate Studies	10,266	341	363	7	10,262	21,240	3.7%
Office of Information Technology	19,387	-	2,199	-	3	21,589	3.7%
Finance & Administration	34,785	-	402	34,818	25	70,030	12.1%
Athletics	2,373	-	-	7,830	508	10,710	1.8%
General University Obligations	23,773	-	(700)	19,125	57,384	99,583	17.2%
Total Expenditure Budget	\$340,638	\$8,494	\$2,548	\$106,711	\$121,173	\$579,565	100%



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Student Credit Hour Update

FY22 Enrollment - Student Credit Hours Summer 2021

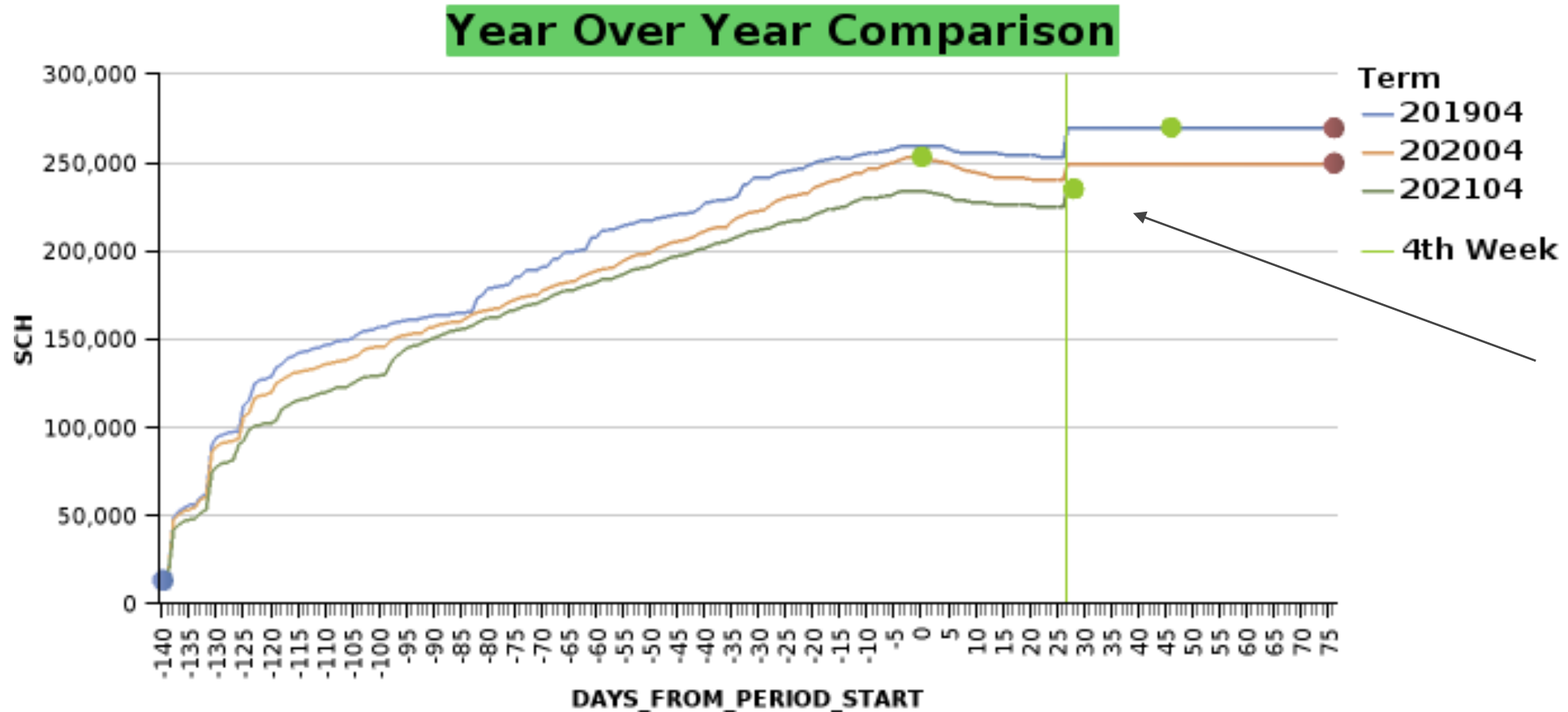
	FY 21 #	FY22* #	Change #	Change %
Resident Undergraduate	47,535	41,022	-6,513	-13.7%
Resident Graduate	11,688	10,251	-1,437	-12.3%
Resident Subtotal	<i>59,223</i>	<i>51,273</i>	<i>7,950</i>	<i>-13.4%</i>
Non-Resident Undergraduate	15,953	10,725	5,228	-32.8%
Graduate	4,016	3,067	-949	-23.6%
Non-Resident Subtotal	<i>19,969</i>	<i>13,792</i>	<i>-6,177</i>	<i>-30.9%</i>
Total	79,192	65,065	-14,127	-18.0%



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Student Credit Hour Update

Fall 2021 Student Credit Hours as of 10/25/21



Faculty Senate Budget Forum

Information presented today can also be found on the
Board of Trustees website on Finance &
Administration Committee page:

<https://www.pdx.edu/board/finance-and-administration-committee>

We encourage you to tune into the next meeting on
November 10, 2021 at 9am which will be live-
streamed at

<https://video.ibm.com/channel/vGfGtyfbjwL>

OAA IPEB Process

Faculty Senate , November 1, 2021

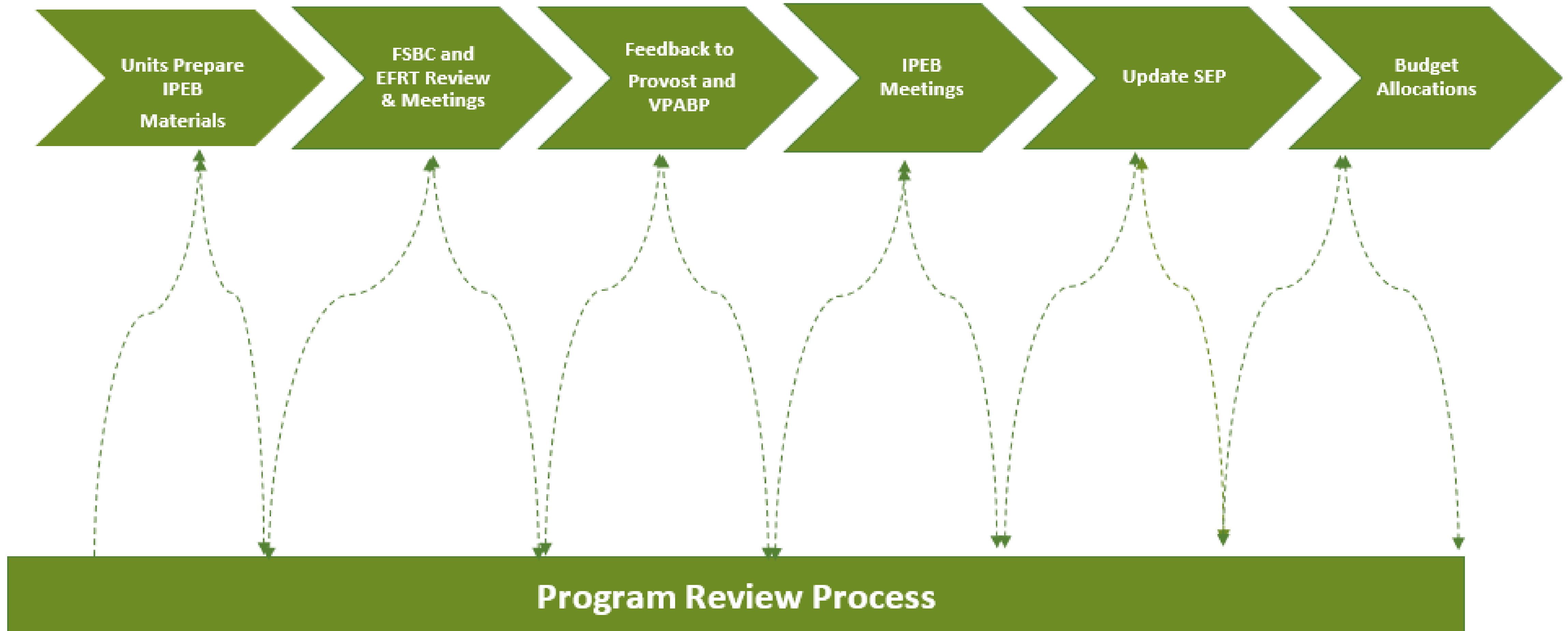


Integrated Planning of Enrollment and Budget (IPEB) Process

- *OAA annual process to support strategic enrollment management, unit level strategic planning and resource allocation*
- *Process is reviewed and agreed between the Faculty Senate Budget Committee, Provost and Academic Budget and Planning*
- **Iterative process to align academic planning decisions with institutional enrollment and revenue forecasts**
- **Facilitates discussion about budgets among multiple stakeholders**



IPEB Process Flow



FSBC - Faculty Senate Budget Committee

EFRT- Enrollment Forecast Review Team (Chuck Kneple, Vice President for Enrollment Management, Rossitza Wooster, Dean of Graduate Studies. Kathi Ketcheson, Director, OIRP, Andria Johnson, Associate Vice President, University Budget & Financial Planning)

VPABP - Vice Provost for Academic Budget and Planning



Key IPEB Materials

Document	Purpose
Strategic Enrollment Plan (SEP)	Based on initial OIRP* projections of department-level enrollment, enrollment-generating units develop unit-level plans/projections. These are informed by both unit-level and institutional enrollment trends. This information is shared with OIRP for consideration in OIRP's institutional projection model. The enrollment plans are updated throughout the process, based on updated enrollment forecasts, which are the basis of the University's tuition revenue forecast. The SEP should also incorporate trend information from the PRWG Driver Metrics Dashboards.
Strategic Planning Narrative (SPN)	To gain an understanding of how investments, reductions and cross-functional collaborations may impact enrollment and retention for the coming academic year. The SPN should also incorporate information from the PRWG Dashboards to address topics of completion and service courses.
Budget Scenarios	Outline possible annual cost increases and unit scenarios to achieve a balanced budget. Any proposed adjustments that result from the Program Review/Reduction Process should be included here.
Resource Plans	Identify areas of investments that could increase tuition revenue or other revenues, based on Dashboard data and enrollment trends.
Remissions Request	Requests remissions based on enrollment trends, the SEP, and OIRP enrollment projections.
Management Reserves Spending Plans	Provides details of strategic use of management reserves for current and future years.

*Office of Institutional Research and Planning, member of EFRT.

3 November 2021

TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Sarah Read, Chair, Graduate Council

RE: December 2021 Consent Agenda

The following proposals have been approved by the Graduate Council and are recommended for approval by the Faculty Senate.

You may read the full text for any course or program proposal, as well as Faculty Budget Committee comments on new and change-to-existing program proposals, at the [Online Curriculum Management System \(OCMS\) Curriculum Dashboard](#).

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

New Courses

E.1.a.1

- Wr 540 Technical Writing Portfolio Workshop, 1 credit
Provides a structured and collaborative environment for authoring the Master's in Professional and Technical Writing graduation portfolio requirement. Students explore the rhetorical, design, and technical issues related to portfolio creation. May be repeated twice for credit.

E.1.a.2

- Wr 550 Portland Review, 1-2 credits
Graduate students will gain hands-on editorial, publishing, and marketing knowledge while collaboratively producing and operating Portland Review, an (online) international literary journal. By participating in Portland Review's publication process and understanding the practices of running a literary journal, students will gain practical experience in the field of literary publishing. May be repeated for up to 8 credits.

Changes to Existing Courses

E.1.a.3

- Mth 651 Advanced Numerical Analysis I, 3 credits – change course description

E.1.a.4

- Span 554 Hispanic Multiple Genres, 4 credits – change title to Language, Culture and Interdisciplinary Practices and change description

Drop Existing Courses

E.1.a.5

* This course is part of a dual-level (400/500) course. For any revisions associated with the 400-level section please refer to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee consent agenda memo.

- Ling 559 Introduction to Graduate Study in Applied Linguistics, 2 credits

E.1.a.6

- Ling 560 Research Design for Applied Linguistics, 2 credits

E.1.a.7

- Ling 561 Research Methodology for Applied Linguistics, 2 credits

School of Social Work**Changes to Existing Courses**

E.1.a.8

- SW 548 Advanced Social Work Practice with Latinx, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.9

- SW 555 Social Work Perspectives on Mental Health Disorders, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.10

- SW 558 Abuse and Trauma: Theory and Intervention, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.11

- SW 562 Loss & Grief Across the Lifespan, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.12

- SW 563 Social Work with Children, Adolescents, and Their Families, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.13

- SW 570 Brief Behavioral Interventions & Treatment, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.14

- SW 575 Multicultural Social Justice Work in Action, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.15

- SW 578 Social Work in the Juvenile and Criminal Justice Systems, 3 credits – change prerequisites

E.1.a.16

- SW 678 Social Work in the Juvenile and Criminal Justice Systems, 3 credits – change prerequisites

* This course is part of a dual-level (400/500) course. For any revisions associated with the 400-level section please refer to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee consent agenda memo.

3 November 2021

TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Peter Chaillé, Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

RE: December 2021 Consent Agenda

The following proposals have been approved by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee and are recommended for approval by the Faculty Senate.

You may read the full text for any course or program proposal, as well as Faculty Budget Committee comments on new and change-to-existing program proposals, at the [Online Curriculum Management System \(OCMS\) Curriculum Dashboard](#).

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Change to Existing Program

E.1.b.1

- Computer Applications with an Emphasis in Geosciences Minor – changing name to Earth Data Science and updating program requirements

New Courses

E.1.b.2

- ChLa 341 Latinx Philosophy, 4 credits
Latinx Philosophy will explore the philosophical contributions of indigenous, Hispanic, and Latinx thinkers in the Americas and in the Iberian Peninsula, situating philosophical thought in its social and political contexts. Students will grapple with the questions of Latinx identity and philosophy, read philosophical and literary works from pre-Columbian civilizations, scholastic, and Marxian traditions, as well as engage contemporary thinkers on feminism, race, social movements, and migration. This is the same course as Phl 341 and may be taken only once for credit.

E.1.b.3

- Phl 341 Latinx Philosophy, 4 credits
Latinx Philosophy will explore the philosophical contributions of indigenous, Hispanic, and Latinx thinkers in the Americas and in the Iberian Peninsula, situating philosophical thought in its social and political contexts. Students will grapple with the questions of Latinx identity and philosophy, read philosophical and literary works from pre-Columbian civilizations, scholastic, and Marxian traditions, as well as engage contemporary thinkers on feminism, race, social

* This course is part of a dual-level (400/500) course. For any revisions associated with the 500-level section please refer to the Grad Council consent agenda memo.

movements, and migration. This is the same course as ChLa 341 and may be taken only once for credit.

E.1.b.4

- Soc 456 Sociology of Horror Films, 4 credits
Examines core tenets of sociology through the use of horror films. Explores how gender, sexuality, race, and other forms of oppression are embedded in classic and contemporary horror films. Drawing on feminist theories, sociology of race and ethnicity, students learn to critically analyze horror films, while also conducting an independent content analysis research project. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing.

Changes to Existing Courses

E.1.b.5

- Bst 318U Black Families in the U.S., 4 credits – Add cross-listing with CFS 318U

E.1.b.6

- Ling 391 Introduction to Applied Linguistics, 4 credits – change description and prerequisites

E.1.b.7

- *Ling 411 Syntax, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.8

- *Ling 412 Phonology, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.9

- *Ling 414 Linguistic Pragmatics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.10

- *Ling 415 Linguistic Phonetics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.11

- *Ling 416 Discourse Analysis, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.12

- *Ling 418 Linguistic Morphology, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.13

- *Ling 419 Language Typology, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.14

- *Ling 420 Historical and Comparative Linguistics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.15

- *Ling 432 Sociolinguistics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

* This course is part of a dual-level (400/500) course. For any revisions associated with the 500-level section please refer to the Grad Council consent agenda memo.

E.1.b.16

- *Ling 433 Psycholinguistics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.17

- *Ling 435 Theories and Practice in Applied Linguistics, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.18

- *Ling 437 First Language Acquisition, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.19

- *Ling 445 Linguistics and Cognitive Science, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.20

- *Ling 472 Teaching Pronunciation, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.21

- *Ling 480 Bilingualism, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.22

- *Ling 481 World Englishes, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b. 23

- *Ling 482 Pidgins and Creoles, 4 credits – change prerequisite

E.1.b.24

- *Ling 490 History of the English Language, 4 credits – change description and prerequisite

E.1.b.25

- Rus 325 Russian Phonetics and Phonology, 4 credits – change description

E.1.b.26

- Wr 331 Book Publishing for Writers, 4 credits – change description

School of Social Work**New Course**

E.1.b.27

- CFS 318U Black Families in the U.S., 4 credits
Overview of contemporary theories and research of the Black family in the U.S. Examination of the historical and socio-economic contexts surrounding families and the impacts on family structure and experiences. Topics for discussion include health issues, family formations, racism, community organizing, welfare and economic security. This is the same course as BSt 318U and may be taken only once for credit.

College of Urban and Public Affairs

Changes to Existing Courses

E.1.b.28

- CCJ 250 Criminal Behavior, 4 credits – change course number to CCJ 312

E.1.b.29

- CCJ 485 Offender Rehabilitation, 4 credits – change prerequisite

3 November 2021

TO: Faculty Senate

FROM: Peter Chaillé, Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

RE: Elimination of the Undergraduate Certificate in Revitalizing Endangered Indigenous Languages

The following proposal has been approved by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee and is recommended for approval by the Faculty Senate.

You may read the full text for any course or program proposal, as well as Faculty Senate Budget Committee comments on new and change-to-existing program proposals, by going to the [Online Curriculum Management System \(OCMS\) Curriculum Dashboard](https://pdx.smartcatalogiq.com/Curriculum-Management-System/Dashboard/Curriculum-Dashboard) (<https://pdx.smartcatalogiq.com/Curriculum-Management-System/Dashboard/Curriculum-Dashboard>) to access and review proposals.

College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Eliminate Existing Program

- Undergraduate Certificate in Revitalizing Endangered Indigenous Languages
– the program has been on a moratorium (suspension of admission) since 2015-16

Office of the Faculty Senate (OAA)
Portland State University
P.O. Box 751
Portland, OR 97207-0751



To: Susan Jeffords, Provost
From: Richard Beyler, Secretary to the Faculty
Re: Question to Administrators, December Faculty Senate
Date: 23 November 2021

In accordance with the Faculty Senate Bylaws, Senator Pronoy Rai has submitted the following Question to Administrators, which is directed to you as Provost:

How is PSU advancing our internationalization vision and goals as we move forward with academic program reduction and reorganization? How does the administration propose to invest in international and global education and research, partnerships, and community outreach at PSU?

At the next Faculty Senate meeting on Monday, December 6th, this question and your opportunity to respond will be included under Section F of the Agenda (Question Time).

Ad-Hoc Committee to Consider Definitions of Faculty, Department, and Program in the Faculty Constitution

REPORT ON COMMITTEE FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS November 2021

Committee Members, designated by Committee on Committees:

Birol Yesilada (Chair, HSOG, CUPA)
 Mark Berrettini (FLM, COTA)
 Jill Emery (LIB), replacing Kimberly Pendell (LIB)
 Rachael Godlove (SPH)
 Andrés Holz (GGR, CLAS)
 Harry York (HON, OI)

Consultants:

Tim Anderson (MCECS, designated by EPC)
 Brenda Glascott (HON, designated by OAA)
 Barbara Heilmair (CUPA, designated by OAA)
 Carolina Montoya-Gomez (WLL/CLAS-AL, designated by PSU-FA)
 Vicki Reitenauer (WGSS/CLAS-SS/PO, designated by Steering)
 Brian Sandlin (Accreditation and Compliance, designated by OAA)
 Hunter Shobe (GGR/CLAS-SS, designated by PSU-AAUP)
 David Weber (PHL/CLAS-AL, designated by PSU-AAUP)

Committee Charge

Faculty Senate created this ad-hoc Committee in November 2020 with the following charge:

- Clarify priorities and principles regarding criteria for inclusion
- Research how other institutions define "faculty," "department," "program," and other key terms
- Organize a survey and/or listening sessions with PSU faculty and administrators of various ranks
- Consider implications of different definitions on participation in Faculty Senate and the Senate's constitutional committees
- Consider implications of different definitions on participation in departmental governance
- Research and present options, with a discussion of advantages and disadvantages associated with each, regarding possible revisions to terms of participation arrangements
- Present their findings to the Steering Committee by May 1, 2021, for presentation to the Senate in June 2021. This deadline was extended to December 2021 to allow the Committee to complete its task.
- Address the request of the Adjunct Faculty for direct voting representation in the Faculty Senate.

Committee Findings & Recommendations

The Committee reviewed the multiple questions raised in the charge and identified a number of key issues that we would recommend the Faculty Senate address when it takes up these matters.

Committee members researched how 23 other comparable institutions of higher education addressed the definition of faculty, representation in the faculty senate, and organization of departments, programs, and colleges.¹ We found that the definition of faculty is available on official documents such as faculty bylaws and senate bylaws. It is much more difficult to obtain information on how universities define programs and departments. We believe that the terms are used in a traditional disciplinary sense and that programs cut across departments.

We examined representation in the Faculty Senate as outlined in the [Faculty Constitution](#) - a critical point for faculty governance at PSU. First and foremost, the Committee members agree that the definition of faculty is pertinent to Senate representation and shared governance. We discussed extensively how to define faculty for representation in terms of governance. We came up with the concept that faculty are people whose jobs constitute at least two out of the three responsibilities: teaching (including curricular matters), research, and service. We also discussed that another way to distinguish who is faculty is to look at processes for job evaluation – what materials are evaluated and who does the evaluation.

The question of Academic Professionals (AP) also puzzles us. APs are not always voting members in their respective Departments but are represented in the Senate. There are inconsistencies which the Faculty Senate should clarify. "Academic Professional" doesn't have a meaning for Faculty governance purposes; the term doesn't appear in the Faculty Constitution. It begs the question: what is "academic"? The constitutionally relevant terms are "ranked" vs. "unranked" appointees. The former are by definition always part of the Faculty; the latter *may* be, depending on several further criteria. We also discussed how Academic Professionals get assigned as such across colleges and their representation in the Senate. Who makes those designations? Provost, the Deans? For a list of APs, HR has those descriptions and the names. Someone at the Dean's office in each College should keep track of this for the purpose of individuals' inclusion in Senate elections. However, this begs another question. There are many PSU employees who are not academically ranked (everyone is not a "professor" or "instructor" of some variety), and they have a variety of job titles and job descriptions. What we want to know is, which among all of these hundreds of positions, with dozens of different job titles, have functions that fall into the category of Faculty work, as this is defined in the Constitution? And who makes that judgment? In other terms, who decides? Faculty Senate, Dean, HR? It ought to be the Senate.

We also ask the Senate to consider how PSU decides faculty representation by Colleges and Schools. For example, the Honors College is not designated as a college but as an "Other Academic Unit." In 2012, it became a College, but the Senate has not caught up with it yet, and it remains the only college without direct representation. Under the current system, the Honors

¹ Boise State University, Cleveland State University, Cleveland State University, DePaul University, Illinois State University, Loyola University, Northern Illinois University, Northern Arizona University, Oakland University, Oregon State University, Villanova University, University of Colorado in Denver, University of Colorado Colorado Springs, University of Maryland Eastern Shore, University of Missouri Kansas City, University of Montana, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, University of Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras, University of Toledo, Western Michigan University, and Wichita State University.

College has little chance of representation in the Faculty Senate due to being outnumbered by University Studies and other faculty designated for representation under the class of "Other Academic Unit." Given that the Honors College is a distinct college in PSU, the Senate should consider its representation similar to other colleges and schools.

Concerning the proposal of the Adjunct Faculty for representation in the Faculty Senate as full voting members, this Committee does not recommend expanding Senate eligibility. Furthermore, existing rules require that PSU pay Adjunct Faculty for duties beyond their teaching obligations. However, we recommend the Senate consider granting the current Adjunct Faculty Ex Officio member full voting rights. If Adjunct Faculty wishes to have a broader representation, they need to consider establishing another forum, a representation unit, at the University.

Another issue that came up pertains to how PSU defines schools. There are a variety of different ways PSU structures colleges? How do we account for the varying organizational structures? The committee further points out these points of concern:

- We use "unit" as a generic name, and this has been a historical practice because there is inconsistency in referring to programs and departments. Part of the confusion for programs is that it conflates "Degree Programs" vs. Programs that operate like small departments. There is inconsistency about the meaning of "program." UNST is a program and is larger than a number of departments.
- There are inconsistencies in how we define Schools across PSU. Social Work and Business Administration are schools with their respective Deans. However, The Hatfield School of Government and the Toulon School of Urban Studies and Planning are within the College of Urban and Public Affairs and are led by Directors. Furthermore, the Toulon School has no departments, whereas the Hatfield School has three departments with respective department chairs.
- Are there differences in the program versus department? Vice Provost Shelly Chabon told us that she contacted many places for clarification: HR, HECC, Faculty Senate. She could not find a firm definition. The perception of each of these is different, however. The Conflict Resolution Program wanted to become a department. She found very little to guide for the change. Other programs moved on to becoming departments (i.e., Engineering and Technology Management and International Studies).
- The perception is that programs are less "secure" than departments. Historically, programs have been eliminated by the university, which might add to some anxiety during this time of financial concern at PSU. However, the current constitution does not distinguish between departments and programs concerning program elimination.

Finally, we see these definitional inconsistencies at PSU to be a significant challenge and problematic issue. Over the years, the patched-together nature of PSU has resulted in a confusing description of how units get decided to be schools or colleges.

Report to Faculty Senate From Graduate Council Regarding Ongoing Concerns with Accountability for OCMS DEI Question Classroom Implementation

Approved by Graduate Council October 20, 2021

Chair, Sarah Read

Graduate Council would like to make the Faculty Senate aware of a topic of discussion that the 2020-2021 Graduate Council returned to repeatedly that we feel merits a broader conversation. The topic of discussion is the issue of where does the accountability lie for the implementation of new course and program proposal elements related to DEI. Since Fall 2016, new course and program proposals have included two questions that ask for explanation about the inclusivity of the course content and teaching methods:

- How is the course content inclusive and relevant to a diverse and evolving student body?
- What pedagogical methods and/or approaches will be used when teaching this course to facilitate an inclusive learning environment?

Although Graduate Council ensures that all proposals that are recommended to the Faculty Senate include good faith answers to these questions, and recognizes that many faculty are engaging thoughtfully in DEI implications for pedagogy and curriculum, GC members have repeatedly raised questions about whether what is represented in the OCMS proposal is actually an accurate representation of what will be implemented in the classroom, both immediately and over time. In addition, another issue that exacerbates the issue of accountability is the reality that many programs have many courses taught by adjuncts and there is no financial support for professional development with adjuncts to ensure DEI commitments in syllabus and ongoing diversification of course materials occurs.

To provide more context for the GC effort to support the OCMS DEI questions, in early 2020 the Graduate Council worked with the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee to draft and distribute a [memo](#) sent to all Departmental Curriculum Committee Chairs, Department Chairs and Program Directors. This memo requested for their committees to more deeply interrogate the DEI responses on proposals under review. Moreover, the Graduate Council has developed a ReImagine grant proposal to request funding for the development of a training module that will prepare course and program proposers to better engage with the two DEI questions. This proposal has been made in concert with the Office of Academic Innovation and the University Library, and requests an additional amount of funding to supplement the already promised \$2000 from the Office of Global Diversity and Inclusion for the project. The Council understands that its work is focused on shifting the culture at PSU to be more inclusive, and believes that this training is only one small step within the Council's scope that can contribute to the work of the University as a whole.

Since the issue of accountability for classroom implementation of the OCMS proposal DEI questions extends beyond the scope of the Graduate Council, as well as its Faculty Senate parallel, the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, the Council requests that FS Steering

consider whether the question merits a broader discussion. GC is aware of related work that is taking place on the FS committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for the University Promotion & Tenure Guidelines.

We ask FS Steering to consider the proper forum for continuing discussion and documentation of this important issue.

APRCA report to Faculty Senate

December 2021

Prepared by Rachel Cunliffe, Co-facilitator

During the past month, the APRCA committee has focused on DEI issues:

- We continue to seek advice on the appointment of a DEI committee member. Since Cynthia Gomez stepped down, this seat on the committee has been empty. We consulted with the Committee on Committees who invited us to explore as we felt appropriate. We wanted to be sure everyone interested had been informed of the vacancy. After consultation with Ame Lambert among others, we feel clear about moving ahead with invitations. We will share that name when we have someone.
- We have also been concerned about representation and equity at both the meetings and on the committee itself. Therefore, we have sought to connect with the Affinity Groups at PSU to invite them to affinity group meetings with APRCA committee members. The first of these meetings will be held in early December. We are mindful that our colleagues from BIPOC communities are burdened with often difficult working conditions and disproportionate demand for their participation.
- In this vein, we also contacted the ASPSU leadership to invite them to a meeting. They will be joining us in December.
- We continue to develop our thinking about collaboration with schools and colleges on the meetings outlined in the Provost's plan shared with campus on Wednesday, November 10th in an email titled "Closing the Gap..." including developing channels and opportunities for faculty input and feedback at every level and at every stage in the process.
- We are grateful for the collegial support we have received from all those we have approached for consultation and insight.